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SUBJECT: ROTTERDAM RECOVERING FROM OIL EMBARGO

1. ROTTERDAM, WORLD'S LARGEST PORT, IS GRADUALLY BUT UNEVENLY RECOVERING FROM EFFECTS OF EMBARGO ON OIL SUFFERED BY NETHERLANDS IN 1973-74. ALTHOUGH PRE-OIL CRISIS LEVEL NOT YET REACHED, CRUDE OIL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES IN FIRST QUARTER THIS YEAR WERE UP 12 PERCENT OVER YEAR AGO, FROM 36.9 MILLION TO 42 MILLION MT (VERSUS 55.1 MILLION MT IN FIRST QUARTER OF 1973).

2. PICK-UP IN PORT BUSINESS IS PRINCIPALLY IN TRANSHIPMENT OF OIL RATHER THAN REFINING. TRANSHIPMENTS, AFTER DROPPING TO 4.2 MILLION MT IN FIRST QUARTER 1974, ARE VIRTUALLY BACK AT 1973 LEVEL OF 8 MILLION MT. COMPLEX OF REFINERIES NEAR ROTTERDAM ARE STILL WORKING AT ONLY 45-50 PERCENT OF CAPACITY, LEVEL WHICH IS NOT LIKELY TO CHANGE SOON.

3. ROTTERDAM'S GENERAL CARGO HANDLING IN FIRST QUARTER 1975, AFFECTED BY ECONOMIC RECESSION, DECLINED 11 PERCENT, ALTHOUGH LEVEL OF CONTAINER TRANSPORT INCREASED FROM 170,000 TO 189,000 MT. NUMBER OF SHIPS WHICH CALLED AT ROTTERDAM IN SAME PERIOD ALSO SLIGHTLY DECREASED, BUT TOTAL TONNAGE

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INCREASED FROM 52.2 MILLION MT TO 57.2 MILLION MT IN 1975.

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